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Tara Kunkel, Senior Drug Policy Officer (IPA)  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Bureau of Justice Assistance  
810 Seventh Street NW  
Washington, D.C. 20531

Dear Ms. Kunkel,

I write to bring your attention to the competitive grant application submitted by the Butler County Mental Health and Addiction Recovery Services Board for funding in the 2018 Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-based Program through the U.S. Department of Justice.

I understand that the board seeks funding to expand overdose outreach and diversion efforts in municipal courts, training and education for first responders, teachers and children's services workers as well as outreach and prevention services to children impacted by substance abuse. Additionally, it plans to incorporate a research partner through Miami University to develop evidence-based approaches to engaging children of opiate-addicted parents.

Please give all due consideration to this request. If there are any questions, please contact Jason Knox, at (614) 469-6774. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Rob Portman  
United States Senator